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In re Application of:

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For: USER INTERFACE DESIGNING  
APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

*IN THE SPECIFICATION:*

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 with:

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The present invention relates to a user interface designing apparatus which can be applied to designing of a user interface for, e.g., a portable telephone such as a cellular phone, a cellphone, a mobile phone or the like as well as a portable information terminal so that display parts (e.g. graphic or the like parts to be displayed) can be changed or interchanged in accompanying the state transitions for events.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 13 with:

*a2*  
For better understanding of the concept underlying the present invention, description will first be made in brief of a related technique known heretofore. Figure 3 of the accompanying drawings is a block diagram showing a conventional user interface designing apparatus disclosed in, for example, in Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 137599/2000. The user interface designing apparatus disclosed in this publication is comprised of a GUI (Graphical User Interface) image designing device 101 which includes a layout design module 111 for designing, interactively, layout data, an attribute setting module